

# The Trestleboard



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#### From the Trestleboard

To the Secretaries, Members and others receiving the Trestleboard. The Trestleboard would like any address changes, new members, deaths or members temporarily away to turn in these changes to

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#### Al Tischuk

Life is a game but golf is serious

OXUS Grotto #137 Regular Meeting Thursday, April 12, 2018

March 8th weather let us have a successful installation of officers. Smokey McGovern supplied the meal for the March meeting. I will have the meal in April.

We discussed our fish fries and breakfast; looks as if we are doing better every year. I'd like to thank all that support our meals. If you have not tried one you are missing out. We will have a breakfast on March 25 to support the Special Olympics.

Fraternally; Mike Engling - Monarch

### Dubuque Lodge #3 A.F. & AM Thursday, April 19, 2018, 7:00 PM

**Greetings Brothers:** 

Winter is begrudgingly loosening its grip on lowa, Spring is coming. Dubuque #3 met for our regular meeting. It was a short meeting as there were only few agenda items, but we had a good turn out all the same.

Brother Wes had a nice snack and we enjoy our post ritual gatherings. Hope to see you at upcoming rituals as scheduled.

Fraternally Yours; Dale Hefel - WM

#### Dubuque Shrine Club April 18, 2018

(Before our regular meeting of the Dubuque County Shrine Club on Wednesday, February 21st, the audit committee was finally able to look over the books from 2017! We had planned to do it before our High Twelve meeting on Friday, February 9th; however, a snowstorm had hit the night before, so we had to cancel our meeting.) Our guest for the night was Assistant Rabban Dale Roberge from El Kahir. After preliminaries, we had quite a bit of discussion about the El Kahir Circus that had recently been in town. After all, none of us here in Dubuque even knew that the circus was coming this year until it was already here. There definitely needs to be better communication. We then started discussing plans for the popcorn stand for the upcoming Dubuque County Fair. Wayne Stanfley then pointed out that the machines were built back in 1926 – the same year he was born; unfortunately, there's no one who makes parts for them anymore and hasn't for close to thirty years. We, therefore, need to cross our fingers that they don't break down. Otherwise, we'll be stuck 'up a creek with no paddle'! The Child Safety ID Event was held on March 3, at the Temple. We helped 30 kids and their parents. By the way, we need to have more advertising to get a

better turnout for the Child ID event.

Come join us on the third Wednesday of the month at the Holiday Inn downtown at 5:30. (Spouses are welcome.)

Respectfully;
David H. Patton – Treas.

## Dubuque High Twelve Club April 13, 2018

If anyone ever needs a speaker, think about asking Brother Mike Blitgen of Bellevue, Iowa. He is a captain of a barge towboat that pushes barges up and down many of the major tributaries that empty into the Mississippi River. (So, while I'm sure he has hauled a variety of loads, he zeroed specifically in on hauling oil and asphalt.)

He has a wealth of knowledge and is very entertaining. His work schedule is also something like 30 days on, 15 days off. Fortunately, we were lucky enough to catch him on one of his days off. Apparently, Warren Peterson had invited him to come to one our High Twelve meeting, and as you can also probably guess, he instantly became our speaker for the day.

He also pointed out that a delivery trip could be anyway from a half-hour by dropping oil off just across the river to a refinery down near the mouth of the Mississippi, to several days going upstream to Minneapolis.

He even worked it out that he has had his family travel with him and had his high school class reunion on the boat. (Believe me, I'll bet none of his schoolmates will ever forget that!) Come join us on the second Friday of each month, in the Masonic Temple dining room at twelve noon. (Spouses are welcome.)

Respectfully;
David H. Patton

#### Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting

Tuesday, April 3, 2018 (no report this month – ed.)

### Tri-State Morning Lodge #673 Friday, 10:30 AM, April 13, 2018

The meeting of Tri-state Morning Lodge 673 was very interesting.

Master Mike Mudrey had us all sit in the east, and we proceeded to open as he called on each of us with an opening part that was not our usual!

Ragged? Sure. But everyone knew the parts. We diverted (mostly with Mike), to correct his Wisconsinisms! Some of his words are transpositions and others are whole new sections! Mike says that this gives him an advantage is Wisconsin; when he makes a mistake, he says it is lowa style!

As is the custom in most lodges, we recognized our sick and distressed, and signed cards for their speedy recovery. An additional discussion item was snow fall. In January we had no meeting (it was a blizzard).

We next meet the second Friday, April 13, 2018 10:30 AM, followed by High Twelve luncheon at noon.

Respectfully; Mike Mudrey - Master

#### Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting Thursday, April 5, 2018

Metropolitan # 49 met on the 1st. Steve Sanders supplied a great goulash dinner. Smokey McGovern will supply the April dinner. Not a big turnout of members and not much on the table to go over so it was a relatively short meeting of brotherly fellowship.

Respectfully and Fraternally,
Dan Neuhaus WM
"If you choose to look forward in life
you'll be able to see further. If you don't
you could find yourself lost" (Bryan
Dodge)

## Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 10, 2018

It is beginning to look a lot like Spring!! We had a lot to cover at our regular meeting. Chris McQuillen was unable to be installed as our Junior Deacon at the time of the Lodge's installation the first of January so that was our first order of business.

Brian Carroll announced that Nicholas King had successfully completed the Mentoring Course for the Fellow Craft degree and Keith Robertson also reported that Jonathan Moore had also completed the Fellow Craft Mentoring Coarse. A date for their third degree has not been scheduled. I am sure we will be looking for some help.

We balloted on the Petitions For The Degrees in Masonry from John Sessions and Silas Cline, and they were elected to receive the degrees. Their degrees will be on Monday March 26, 2018 starting at 6:30 P.M. So please come down and join us.

Then we read the Petition For The Degrees in Masonry from Jared Michael Snow for the first time. We will be balloting on his petition at our April meeting. As you can see from the above that Mosaic Lodge is going to be kept busy with degree work for the next few months. We will try to keep you informed on degree dates.

It was reported that Eugene Chappell had fallen and broke his hip. He is at home recovering. We wish him the best. It was also reported that Edwin Blinks, PGM had a Pace Maker installed. He is at home doing okay.

Chris McQuillen had the program for the evening. He spoke on the rules and obligations that are laid out for our instruction, in the Code of the Grand Lodge and the By-Laws of the Lodge Dates were discussed for the Financing Committee to meet at the bank to go over our investment portfolio.

We received 10 Scholarship Applications. The committee will be meeting to score them and set up dates to do interviews to select the recipients. The recipients

that are selected, along with their parents, will be our guests at an Awards Dinner to be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2018. This is a free dinner but we do need reservations. You will hear more on this as the date gets closer.

Bob Happ had the refreshments for the evening.

In other news, the Child Safety ID did a total of 30 children on March 5th.

Mosaic also continued its tradition of contributing to the Make-A-Wish

Foundation to help make the wishes of these children a reality. And Chaplain Zach Spurgeon got word he is getting called back up for the Army. His departure is supposed to be around the end of the month. We wish Zach good luck, Godspeed and thank him for being a part of the people to defend our freedoms and rights.

Our next regular meeting will be Tuesday April 10, 2018. Edwin Blinks has the program, and Brian Kelley is scheduled for refreshments.

Hope you will be able to make all or some of the meetings we have coming up over the next several months.

Just a reminder to pay your dues. We have several outstanding.

Respectfully; Shawn Evarts - Worshipful Master

# Julien Lodge 551 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Wednesday, April 4, 2018

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Congratulations to the Cascade Cougars BB Team winning their FIRST STATE BB CHAMPIONSHIP! Some of our Brothers must have danced in joy...Well done for Bob and Paul!

Oxus Grotto held a SUPER fish-fry March 16th, and all the brothers and family were invited...the next one will be March 22nd - 5:00-7:00 p.m. The meal and service were wonderful.

We discussed the upcoming Area Meetings and are hoping to be there. Let us also hope that the weather will be better for our bodies as well as for travel.

We wish everyone a most happy St. Patrick's Day and hope to see you at lodge as we will keep the light on for you...

To Be Sure my laddies!... Charles "O'Hawkins" - Worshipful Master

### Julien Chapter #125 OES Stated Meeting 7:00PM Tuesday, April 17, 2018

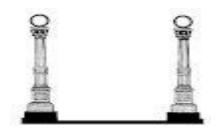
We hope spring is on the way but the weather forecast sounds more like winter still has a grip on us for the next few days. We just pray that everyone stays safe with no falls or other mishaps. We had our stated meeting on March 20 with the usual few very dedicated members in attendance. The business was held in the mezzanine room with no heat so we kept our coats on. It is very sad that we have to endure the deterioration of our Temple because there is no one taking care of the upkeep and we are still required to pay monthly fees. We pray that those who profess to be our caretakers will put more effort into the upkeep of our Temple. There wasn't much business to be conducted so the meeting closed at 8 p.m. and we retired to the small dining room for refreshments and fellowship. We did celebrate Ed Blinks and Leona Hibben's birthdays and Russ and Leona's anniversary. Congratulations to all!

Our joint school with Bellevue was held in Bellevue on March 10 with both Chapters and several pro-tems from out of both towns doing a very nice job. Our DI Mary Reich's was very thorough in the instruction to help all of us keep the proficiency of which all Iowa OES members are so proud. We thank the Bellevue Chapter for accepting the job of having the school again this year. The coin march was for ESTARL and netted \$30 for each chapter. Thanks to all who contributed.

Our next meeting will be April 17 at 7 p.m. Hope to have all those who can, attend.

May you all enjoy with renewal of spring and the blessing of Easter!

Respectfully; Jennifer Diller - WM. Dave Patton - WP. Bev Godsey - Secretary



### Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings TRESTLEBOARD NOTICE

The organizations have enjoyed several months of not having to pay toward the publication of the Trestleboard. The committee has determined that the time has come for each organization to once again pay an assessment for the publication. That will begin in May. However, the amount assessed will be less than that which was charged in the past.

Thank you for your cooperation.

#### Masonic Calendar: April, 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 York Rite	4 Julien #551 7:30PM	5 Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat at 6:00PM	6	7
8	9	Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	11	Oxus Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	13 High Twelve Tri-State #673 10:30AM	14
15	16	Julien OES #125 7:00PM	Shrine Club 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	19 Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00PM	20 Trestleboard Deadline 4:00PM	21
22 Happy Easter!	23	24 MTA Board	25	26 Trowel Fellowship 7:30PM	27	28
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